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Revised draft resolution submitted by the President of the Council

Membership of the Economic and Social Council in the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission

The Economic and Social Council,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 60/180 of 20 December 2005 and Security Council resolution 1645 (2005) of 20 December 2005, concurrently establishing the Peacebuilding Commission,

Recalling also, in particular, paragraphs 12 (b), 13 and 17 of General Assembly resolution 60/180 and Security Council resolution 1645 (2005), establishing the institutional relationship between the Economic and Social Council and the Peacebuilding Commission,

Recalling further Economic and Social Council resolution 2006/3 of 8 May 2006 on the membership of the Council in the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission,

Recalling General Assembly resolution 63/145 of 18 December 2008, in which the Assembly, inter alia, invited other bodies with members elected to the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission to adjust the term of office of their respective members so that all members of the Organizational Committee could start their term on 1 January, instead of on 23 June,

Recognizing the important role to be performed by the Peacebuilding Commission towards recovery, reintegration and reconstruction in countries emerging from conflict, particularly in Africa,

Recalling that due consideration is to be given to countries that have experienced post-conflict recovery in the composition of the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission,

1. *Decides* that, starting in 2009, the two-year term of office of the members of the Economic and Social Council elected to the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission shall begin on 1 January, instead of on 23 June, with the

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possibility, as applicable, of their sharing the term within the concerned regional group for the seats allocated to it, subject to the concurrence of the Council;

2. *Also decides* that the distribution of the seven seats allocated to the Economic and Social Council on the Organizational Committee of the Peacebuilding Commission shall be as follows:

(a) One seat for each of the five regional groups, namely, African States, Asian States, Eastern European States, Latin American and Caribbean States and Western European and other States;

(b) In the election of members of the Economic and Social Council to the Organizational Committee whose term of office shall start on 1 January 2009, the two remaining seats shall be allocated to the regional group of African States;

3. *Further decides* that the established practice of the Economic and Social Council regarding members elected to its subsidiary bodies who are not able to complete their term of office shall apply to members elected to the Organizational Committee by the Council.